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1. References:

- a. Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act (UOCAVA)42 SC 1973ff
- b. Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness) Memorandum, Guidance on Implementing Voting Assistance Programs, DTD 15 September 2007
- c. Department of Defense Directive 1000.04, Federal Voting Assistance Program, DTD 23 April 2007.
- d. Department of Defense Instructions 1000.04, Federal Voting Assistance Program (Draft)
- e. AR 608-20, Army Voting Assistance Program, DTD 28 October 2004.
- f. Department of Defense Directive 1344.13, "Implementation of the National Voter Registration Act (NVRA)," DTD 16 November 1994
- g. National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for FY 2010
- 2. As the Army Senior Voting Representative, please accept my sincere appreciation for your support of the Army Voting Assistance Program (AVAP). Command support and the dedicated efforts of the Unit Voting Assistance Officers (UVAOs) are absolutely essential to the program's success.
- 3. The Army Voting Action Plan provides guidance for this year's program. The requirements in this plan reflect the Army's regulatory guidance, Department of Defense Directives, Department of Defense Instructions (Draft) and NDAA 2010. Please pay particular attention to the reporting requirements in Appendix A. The "Measures of Success" provide the necessary metrics to evaluate the program and ensure the goal is achieved.

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- 4. The next Federal election is on 2 November 2010; however, State and local elections occur continuously and our Soldiers deserve the opportunity to participate. It is essential to sustain your voting assistance efforts, publicize elections and distribute information throughout the year.
- 5. The goal is for 100 percent of our Soldiers to be contacted by a Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) concerning voting and for them to receive information regarding the absentee voting process. Each Soldier should know his or her UVAO. As leaders, we must ensure that every Soldier is contacted and offered information about voting.
- 6. The Federal Voting Assistance Program Office VAO Training Workshops began on 4 November 2009. Each VAO is required to attend a resident training workshop. If attendance is not possible, VAOs must attend a Service workshop or complete the Federal Voting Assistance Program on-line training for certification. ACOM, ASCC, and DRU SVAOs and the Army Voting Action Officer have the training schedule, and it is available on www.vote.army.mil. Please ensure your VAOs attend this required training.
- 7. I appreciate your continued emphasis on this very important program. The Army POC is Mr. Alton Perry, Army Voting Action Officer, at 703-325-4530 or DSN 221-4530; email address is alton.c.perry@conus.army.mil.

8. Honor the past, support the future - Vote!

Encl as RICHARD P. MUSTION Brigadier General, USA The Adjutant General

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